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OFGS Ref : P/1596-68  
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Inventor : Shuzo NAGAMI  
Title : METHOD OF REMOVING METAL ION AND  
APPARATUS FOR TREATING SUBSTRATE  
Assignee : Dainippon Screen Mfg. Co., Ltd.

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents in the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

- ☒ Print EFS Data Sheet
- ☒ 25 Pages of Specification including Abstract and Claims
- ☒ 20 Numbered Claims Calculated as 20 Claims for Fee Purposes
- ☒ 7 Sheets of Drawing Containing Figures 1 to 8B. (Formal)
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Priority is Claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 or 35 U.S.C. §120:  
**Japanese Application No. 2002-277283 filed September 24, 2002**  
**Japanese Application No. 2003-201762 filed July 25, 2003**
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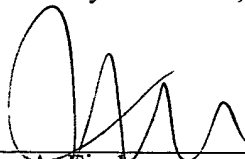
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